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1. During the recent visit to Innsbruck it is reported that the Austrian Foreign Minister, Dr. Gruber arranged with Landeshauptmann Weissgatterer and Erich Amann of the South Tirol Volkspartei (SVP) to have Hofrat Dr. Kneusl take over the new Office for the South Tirol in Innsbruck which is to be affiliated with the Austrian Foreign Ministry. Kneusl is now in Innsbruck holding preliminary conversations concerning the organization of the new Office.
2. Gruber is also said to have agreed to appoint a special official in the Vienna Foreign Office to deal with the South Tirol question. Baron Kripp, a native of the South Tirol and at present Legation Counsellor in Prague, has been chosen for the post.
3. The SVP has been instructed by Gruber to send representatives to Vienna and Innsbruck to instruct Kripp and Kneusl in their new tasks. The SVP is planning to send Dr. Tinsl to Vienna for fourteen days to instruct Kripp and because of a shortage of personnel the SVP is asking that Tinsl be permitted to instruct Kneusl at the same time.

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